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June 27, 2017  
**VIA ECFS**

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

Re: Petition for Limited Waiver of Section 54.313(j)  
LaHarpe Telephone Company: 411791  
ETC Annual Reports and Certifications; WC Docket Nos. 14-58 et al.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.3 of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission"), <sup>1</sup> LaHarpe Telephone Company(the "Company"), SAC 411791, hereby requests a limited waiver of 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(j). <sup>2</sup>As demonstrated in the following information, good cause exists for waiver. Specifically pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(f)(2)(iii), All other privately held rate-of-return carriers must provide either: A copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers, with the underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant and accompanied by an officer certification that: The carrier was not audited in the ordinary course of business for the preceding fiscal year; and that the reported data are accurate.

At this time, an audit of the Company's 2015 financial statement has not been reviewed by an independent certified public accountant. The review will be completed but not prior to that which is outlined in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(j). The Company estimates that completion of such financial statement will occur within 60 days of this waiver request. The Company will file financial statements with its original Form 481 filing and will revise such filing with USAC, the FCC, and the State Commission upon completion of the audit. In

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<sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.3

<sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(j)

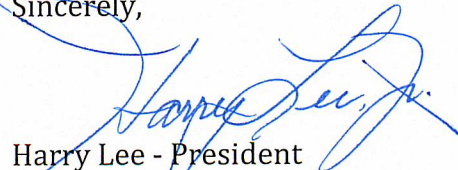
addition, once completed, all lines of Form 481 that are reliant on the financial statements will be revised if changes are made between the unaudited and audited financial statements.

Once the reviewed financial statements have been filed, the Company will be in full compliance with 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(f)(2)(ii). Thus grant of this limited waiver is warranted. The "good cause" waiver standard has been satisfied, and grant of this waiver would be in the public interest.

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Sincerely,



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